(c) whether Government are with-holding the renewal of iron ore mining leases in Andhra Pradesh, and if so, what are the rea'sons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) During the last three years, on receipt of recommendations of the Government of Andhra Pradesh, the Central Government approved gram of fifteen mining leases for iron ore in that State;

(b) Iron ore exports during 1984-85 have been 25.32 million tonnes (provisional).

(c) No, Sir.

Setting up of a ship-breaking Yard at Holdia

1914. SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY. Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state:'

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set up a ship-breaking yard at Haldia; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this re-gard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) and (b) There is no proposal to set up a ship-breaking yard at Haldia by Government of India.

मत्स्य-पालन के लिए बैंकों द्वारा दिए गए ऋण अनुदान

1915. **श्री विश्व गोस्वामी** : क्या **वित्त** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि विभिन्न बैंकों द्वारा मत्स्य पालन के लिये ऋण और अनुदान दिये जाते हैं; यदि हां, तो गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान प्रत्येक राज्य में प्रत्येक बैंक द्वारा ऐसी कितनी परियोजनाओं को स्वीकृति प्रदान की गयी ; और

(ख) उपर्युक्त अवधि के दौरान इस प्रयोजन के लिये ऋण और अनुदान के लिये अलग अलग कितनी धनराशि स्वीकृत की गयी है ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री जनार्दन पुजारी) : (क) और (ख) वर्तमान आंकड़ा सूचना पद्धति से प्रश्न में पूछे गये ढंग से सूचना नहीं प्राप्त होती । मत्स्य पालन के लिये दिये जाने वाले अग्रिमों को प्राथमिकता प्राप्त क्षेत्र में शामिल किया गया है और राष्ट्रीयकृत बैंक इस काम के लिये ऋण देते हैं, अनुदान नहीं ।

Buffer stock of raw jute

1916. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPIA". Will the Minister of SUPPLY AND TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are contemplating lo build up buffer stock of raw jute in view of bumper crop of raw jute; and

lb) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY AND TEXTILES (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH): (a) and (b). Although a good jute crop is expected during the current jute season 1985-86, it is as yet too early to make an accurate estimate of the trop. A decision ou creation of a buffer stock can be taken only after an accurate esti-mate of the size of the jute crop becomes available.

Quality of steel material supplied by public sector steal Panfs

1917. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to 'state :

(a) what is the quantity of steel and the value thereof produced by the public sector steel plants which was condemned as scrap and what was- the percentage of the condemned steel to the total production in a year during the last three years;

(b) whether it is a fact that the number of complaints regarding the poor quality of steel material and supplied by the public sector steel plants has increased; and

(c) if so, what is the number of com plaints received in respect of each $«* plant during the last three years, year-wist and the measures taken by Government te improve the quality of steel material pr*-duced by the public sector steel plants and also to minimise the percentage of b*0 quality steel?